

CORNER OF ODDITIES.

SOME STRANGE STORIES TOLD BY OUR EXCHANGES.

Strange Death of an Italian—Girl Who Acts Like a Paralytic at a Word from the Doctor—The Puppy Fainted Away.

WHEN the preacher comes to our house Pa met him at the big road gate. An' dove his buggy to the barn. An' dinner time was awful late—

Caws ma had put a turkey up To cook; but, sur, that vary day He flopped an ky-ouked an' broke two slats. An' nen got out an' runned away.

An' ma wuz mad at everything. An' scolded Sam an' George an' me. An' killed Sam's hen 'at had the nest Out yonder 'side the apple tree.

An' George an' me, we had to wait Out there behind the clover shed Till they all et; an' George he cried, An' said he wisht 'at he wuz dead.

I wisht tha wern't no preachers now A livin' hardly anywhere. An' wisht tha'd get too sick to eat. W'never'n tha come to visit here.

Girl Who Acts Like a Paralytic.

The most astonishing instance of hypnotism by "suggestion" comes in a report furnished by the French Society of Hypnotism and Psychology by M. Gorfischke, an expert in mesmerism. The story he has to tell is of a little girl of 11 in one of the French provinces, who used to accompany her cousin, who was a country doctor, on his rounds, and in this way got to understand a good many medical expressions.

One day she fell ill. The illness was slight and she was on the high road to recovery when her cousin, the doctor, happened to say unthinkingly and smilingly in her presence: "Oh, good heavens! She is paralyzed!" At once the child exhibited every symptom of paralysis, and she remained in that state at the will of the doctor. Afterwards he asked her if she was not becoming presumptive, and immediately she began to suffer from the dreadful coughing and blood spitting that consumptive patients have.

She seemed so exceedingly open to every sort of mesmeric "suggestion" that the doctor tried her with half the diseases known in the medical annals, and one by one she responded to them all. He needed only to remark that she was cured to have her perfectly well a moment later. Perhaps the strangest of the experiences she went through was when one of her schoolmates got a paper pellet in her eye. From pure sympathy the child imagined that she had the same trouble, too, and she rubbed her eye to such an extent that she felt the pain of it for nearly a year.—New York World.

Strange Death of an Italian.

There is much excitement in Italian circles here over the strange death of a son of sunny Italy. He was Dominick Abbanez, a painter. A few days ago Abbanez called upon Dr. J. H. Kistler, a specialist, at Broad and High streets, and secured treatment for a sore arm. The indications were that he had a cancer or some other abnormal growth on the affected member. The doctor was hastily called to the home of Abbanez, who was suffering great pain. The doctor administered a hypodermic injection of morphine and antipyrine.

Soon after the patient died. Coroner Herbst was called on, and found that notwithstanding life was extinct, the body of Abbanez was almost burning with heat. The temperature of the corpse registered 109. The coroner desired to have an autopsy performed, but Widow Abbanez objected so strenuously that she drove the physicians from the man's room. The coroner believes Abbanez died of uremia. The corpse turned red soon after life was extinct. Director of Safety Williams declined to allow an autopsy, in view of the objections of Mrs. Abbanez, and the real cause of the death is a mystery.—Columbus (O.) Special.

A Woman's Tattooed Picture.

Derby, Conn., special: Many years ago, when very young and poor, one of Waterbury's now most eminent and wealthy bachelors fell so deeply in love that he had the likeness of his sweetheart tattooed on his right arm. The young woman's parents wanted their daughter to make another match, and though both the young people declared they would surely die if not allowed to marry, their engagement was at last broken for all time. They remained steadfastly in love with each other, however, for many years, but finally, so hard pressed was the girl by her parents and a rich suitor, she resigned hope, and became the wife of the man chosen by others.

Everyone thought the deserted lover would forever remain a bachelor, and, as year after year found him yet single, it was said that he had not forgotten his youthful affair. Recently, nevertheless, having meanwhile achieved money and distinction, the hero of this tale offered himself to one of Derby's most charming young women. He was accepted on condition that he have the sentimental mark of his early love erased from his arm.

Dr. Stivers of Monroe has performed the painful but not serious surgical operation that removed the imprint of

the bachelor's old-time sweetheart from his arm. Only an ugly scar will remain to show the devotion and as the new love declares, the folly of youth.

Strong Coffee Responsible.

Wayne, Neb., special: A remarkable case of delirium tremens from the use of strong coffee is interesting the physicians of Wayne and vicinity. Mrs. W. H. Hanshaw, the patient, is between 45 and 50, and is the wife of a farmer living a short distance from town. For many years she has been addicted to the use of very strong coffee in excessive quantities, frequently taking as many as a dozen cups at a meal. Her nervous system has suffered seriously as the result, and on several occasions she has attempted to break off the habit, but without success.

A few days ago she resolved to make a last desperate effort, and for a time managed to get along without touching the seductive beverage. At the end of the second day, however, her nerves were in a state of almost complete collapse and a few hours later an attack of what closely resembles delirium tremens set in. The physician called was at first deceived by the symptoms, but when the nature of the case was explained to him he said the disease was undoubtedly caused by the sudden breaking off of the habit. Mrs. Hanshaw's recovery is probable, but her physician says she could hardly survive another attack. He pronounces the case one of the most remarkable he has ever seen.

The Lady and the Infant.

A laughable incident occurred on North Eutaw street yesterday afternoon which afforded much amusement to the bystanders, but put the lady in a very unpleasant position. At the Lexington Street market there was a sale of small pigs. She bought one and placed it in a reticule. She thought it perfectly secure. In an unguarded moment the little pig with a quick bound jumped clear out of its prison and darted for a side hallway. The lady uttered a slight scream of dismay and started after it, calling to a gentleman to stop it. With his assistance the truant was recaptured and then the fun began. The pig squealed and wriggled its body out of her hands several times, she meanwhile on her knees making heroic efforts to retain possession of her prize. After repeated attempts the rebellious pig was finally secured, and with flushed face and soiled hands the lady emerged a victorious though sorely embarrassed woman.—Baltimore American.

Her Baby Eaten by a Bear.

The Dalles, Ore., special: A few days ago, near Bear Lake, about 30 miles from the city, a bear ate up an Indian child that was left in the brush asleep while its mother was picking berries. The poor woman heard the cries of her infant and thinking that it was being injured picked up a butcher knife and rushed to its assistance. She found a savage bear with the baby in its claws and gnawing the prostrate body. Heroically she began the fight, but the bear was too powerful for her, and, although she fought bravely, when she was rescued by the Indians she was nearly killed, the brute having clawed and mangled the flesh on her body in a fearful manner. The little child was dead, and almost every particle of flesh on its body was devoured by the angry animal. They managed to kill the bear. The remains of the little child were buried near the place where it met its cruel death, and the heartbroken mother, in her wounded condition, was cared for as tenderly as possible.

Thoughts That Come Afterward.

Mr. Beazeley was running the machine merrily to and fro, with a strained look and large, moist drops upon his countenance, a happy light glinting from his eyes as he noted each added swath of neat, closely cropped grass. Then a stout twig intercepted the whizzing knives, and Mr. Beazeley doubled over the handle with a remark that the neighbors looked out of their windows to hear repeated.

"Gash bing the flambusted thing!" he continued, putting both hands about himself and vainly striving to straighten out. "Every time I run a lawn mower I swow I won't run it any mowder."

He paused and looked reflectively into the heavens.

"B'George, that wasn't so bad, either," he said, running into the house to tell his wife.

The Puppy Fainted Away.

"Speaking of dogs," said Superintendent John Horne, of the Mount Washington railway, "did you ever see a dog faint away?" No one had. "Well, I have," said the veteran railroad official, and he then proceeded to tell of a very young pup which was taken from its mother and remained at the signal station on Mount Washington all winter, several years ago. When taken down the mountain in the spring he met another dog who undertook to make his acquaintance. "You will observe," said Mr. Horne, "the young fellow didn't remember ever having seen a dog, and doubtless thought the one before him was the only other dog in the world; so he keeled over in a dead faint."—Among the Clouds.

Drowned in a Can of Milk.

Jamestown, Special: While playing in the barnyard last evening the 4-year-old daughter of Fred E. Rowland, of Farmington, fell into a dairy can of milk, from which she attempted with a cup to dip some milk to drink, and was drowned. No one saw the accident and the child was dead when found.—Buffalo Courier.

Flying frogs are numerous in Borneo

SOCIETY AT ATLANTA.

SOUTHERN HOSPITALITY ON TOP DURING THE FAIR.

In No American City of Such Limited Population Is There So Much Blue Blood—Some of the Notable Men and Women.

(Atlanta Correspondence.)

THE Atlanta of today bears no resemblance to the South in ante-bellum days. The city began at once to rise like a phoenix from its ashes, and today it testifies more than any other place the progressive, modern life of the new South. The same old spirit of Southern hospitality is here, however, making an atmosphere of sunshine and friendliness in modern houses such as one sees in Northern and Western towns. Peachtree street is the fashionable avenue of Atlanta, and so great is its importance that a cook seeking employment considers the fact that she has filled a situation on Peachtree street the very acme of recommendation. A Peachtree street belle, a Peachtree society man or woman, are mentioned in the society columns with

the same reverence that the publications of Gotham discuss such commodities from Fifth avenue. The Capital City club is on Peachtree, so is the home of its president, Maj. Livingston Mims, and so are any number of other important residences, where matrons give card parties and teas, and girls make their debut at the proper seasons. The Capital City club is near enough to the business part of the town for its members to come there for luncheon or to stop for a chat on its piazza as they walk home. It has a beautiful cafe, where the wives of its members are free to come with their women friends. This cafe is used for all dinners and receptions of state and during the exposition many dignitaries will be entertained there. President Cleveland and his cabinet will be given an elaborate reception there. Mrs. Ulysses S. Grant, Mrs. Jefferson Davis and Miss Winnie Davis will be entertained there on Grady day; and the foreign commissioners and dignitaries will receive cards to the club, and will be duly entertained. Maj. Livingston Mims is an ideal Southern gentleman, tall, rotund, and stately, with a head of silvery hair, and the manners of a cavalier. Southern men, by the way, never smack of the professional general—they are climatic generals. The major, as he is familiarly called, also bears the distinction of being the father of Mrs. Joseph Thompson, president of the Woman's Department. Always a social figure, he is peculiarly in his element at the club. He has been its president for a long time, and has always taken the greatest interest in its financial welfare and its social achievements. The rooms are handsomely furnished in a refined and homelike fashion. The ballroom, with its deep windows draped in white, its



MRS. CLARENCE KNOWLES.

arched ceiling of blue garlanded with roses, its low cozy seats, and palms and flowers, are charming. Here the frivolous element who value frills and favors beyond all the honors that age can bestow have their innings. The Cotillon club, a long established fashionable organization, noted for its expensive favors and its extravagance in the way of orchid bouquets, will give two of its dances here this season. Thomas B. Payne and James English, Jr., may be said to be the leaders of this club. The Piedmont Driving club house in the exposition grounds is a jolly place, and one that will be a source of much pleasure and comfort during the fair. It is a quaint stone structure, with ivy-covered chimneys, and a broad, open stone portico, shaded by splendid trees. From the piazza one has a fine view of the buildings. There are other studies that the artist or sentimental bachelor can make from this vantage-ground, for every afternoon the belles of the city drive out with their best beaux and stop for a lemonade or something stronger. If Gibson had not already obtained his ideal Southern girl, this would be the place for him to find her. When an occasional snow makes sleighing possible in the winter season, you will find a jolly crowd gathered in the club hallway, slipping pleasant concoctions and telling stories around the big open fire. The club is open to the wives of members and their friends. The place is altogether pleasant and charming, and will prove a godsend to those exposition visitors who are fortunate enough to have cards thereto. Its president is Mr. James R. McKeldin, a genuine good fellow, and a popular bachelor.

Brookwood, the country residence of Mrs. Joseph Thompson, president of the Woman's Department, is the private home of most importance just now. Mrs. Thompson has in her social life heretofore been noted for the brilliancy and distinction of her entertainments, and during the fair she will surpass all her former achievements. Brookwood is a perfect country home, surrounded by beautiful grounds. These are cared for by two English gardeners, and the place in its fresh trimness suggests an English home. It is only a half-mile beyond the exposition grounds. The house is not large and imposing on the exterior, but its beautiful interior bespeaks in every detail the culture and grace of its mistress. Mrs. Thompson will of course be the very center of exposition social life; the place would belong to her without her office. The interior of Brookwood is finished with Georgia curled pine, and the great dining room, with its walls patterned in gray-green poppies and its deep seats upholstered in gray, has a sense of quiet and harmonious distinction. In this room, which has been the scene of many an elaborate dinner and jolly Christmas frolic, Mrs. Thompson will give an entertainment in honor of Mrs. Potter Palmer and the Georgetown alumnae. It is an interesting fact that the two women presidents were both Georgetown girls, and, of course, Mrs. Thompson will make the gathering of the alumnae an especial occasion.

There are a great many handsome houses on Peachtree. Among those which visitors will notice most is the home of Judge and Mrs. Henry B. Tompkins, a new house planned exactly after the old Georgia colonial houses, and very closely resembling the home of Gen. Robert Toombs, the uncle of Mrs. Tompkins, and the well-known Southern orator and politician. President and Mrs. Colyear will do a great deal of entertaining. Mrs. Clarence Knowles is chairman of the committee on entertainments of the Woman's Department, and her house will be open to many distinguished guests. Mr. and Mrs. Knowles are at all times important people in the social life of Atlanta, and they draw about them the cleverest and most compensating folks in society. They keep open house, entertaining with a rare ease. The drawing room in the Knowles home is exquisite, being an exact reproduction of the salon of Marie Antoinette at Petite Trianon.

The arrangements to entertain in a simple fashion the various clubs and congresses that are to visit the exposition required much time and thought.



THE YOUNG DUCHESS OF MARLBOROUGH.

ON FOOTBALL RULES.

WALTER CAMP DISCUSSES ON THIS YEAR'S DRAWBACKS.

The Revision of Rule Twenty-Five, by Harvard Has Already Caused Great Discontentment to Umpires—The Season May Be a Failure.

IT cannot be said at this writing that the football season of 1895, which is now upon us in earnest, promises great things in the way of success. And this unhappy condition is due solely to the split in the college world, as a result of which Yale and Princeton have amended the playing code of last year in certain respects, and Harvard, Cornell, and the University of Pennsylvania in others, which differ to such an extent that the rival factions will play, in many ways, a different game. Of course should Harvard and Yale agree shortly to play a match—in other words, agree to patch up a truce in their present strained relations—the chances are strongly in favor of a conference, whose duty shall be the adoption of rules alike for all. But until a game or no game is definitely settled upon it seems unnecessary to enter a discussion of the different amendments in more than a general way. While Yale and Princeton have attacked the rules governing momentum plays, Harvard and her children have left them severely alone. Thus the former allows only one player to start and only three to group behind the line before the ball is put in play. That is to say, the center guards and tackles must retain their positions in the line, while the ends can only drop back a trifle,

though not allowed inside the tackle positions. This change makes the game in a measure what it used to be in former years. The fair-catch rule, however, has been attacked by both sides and in a different way. For instance, the Yale and Princeton rules do not require that the man intending to make the fair catch shall hold up his hand. He is required, however, to make a mark with his heel and must not advance beyond that mark. Harvard & Co., on the other hand, permit the catcher to pass the ball to one of his own side, who can run with it or kick it. Otherwise the ball must be put in play at the spot where the catch was made. Other changes are these: Rule twenty-five, as amended by Harvard, University of Pennsylvania, and Cornell, reads: "No player shall lay his hands upon, or by the use of his hands or arms interfere with, an opponent before the ball is put in play. After the ball is put in play the players of the side that has possession of the ball can obstruct the opponent with the body only, except the player who runs with the ball. But the players of the side which has not the ball can use hands and arms to push the opponents out of the way in breaking through."

As amended by Yale and Princeton this rule reads: "A player is put off side if, during a scrimmage he gets in front of the ball, or if the ball has been last touched by one of his own side behind him. No player can, however, be called off side in his own goal. No player when off side shall touch the ball except on fumble in scrimmage, nor with his hands or arms interrupt or obstruct an opponent until again on side."

Respecting the officials of the game—while the one, or the Yale party, will be governed by one umpire, a referee, a linesman, and an assistant linesman, the other will have two umpires, a referee, and a linesman, all of whom "shall be nominated by the captains and confirmed by the faculty." The duties of this latter body comprises the giving of testimony by the referee to either of the umpires of all cases of fouls as seen by him, and the umpires are in duty bound to accept such testi-

mony as conclusive, and forthwith impose the proper penalty.

The Yale officials one and all are empowered to disqualify a player, though a decision of this nature must be approved by the umpire.

WALTER CAMP.

ETHEL BARRYMORE.

Talented Daughter of the Lamented Georgia Drew.

Ethel Barrymore is the daughter of Maurice and the late George Drew Barrymore, and the granddaughter of Mrs. John Drew. She is not yet seventeen years of age, and has had less than one year's experience upon the stage. She had some valuable schooling last season while playing upon the road with her uncle, John Drew, in "The Bauble Shop," and she is at present filling ingenue roles in the same company. Miss Barrymore has a charming face and a very winsome manner. She is yet too young to give full evidence of her abilities, but the work she has thus far done has been more than satisfactory, and because of her distinguished lineage we have much reason to hope and believe that she will attain eminence in the profession.

DELIA STACEY.

A Young Actress Who Can Ride a Mustang and Skillfully Handle a Rifle.

Miss Delia Stacey, of the Digby Bell Opera Company, is the daughter of the late Colonel May H. Stacey, United States army. Colonel Stacey, at the time of his daughter's birth was in command of a post in California and in turn in Arizona, New Mexico and New York. He was a gallant soldier and a gentleman, and his baby daughter, born on the plains and brought up among the boys in blue, grew up a veritable "Child of the Regiment." She could ride almost before she could walk. Later on the Indian scouts taught her how to saddle and ride a mustang. The officers



ETHEL DREW

took a great deal of delight in showing her how to handle a rifle. She became an expert horsewoman and an "innering shot" with a rifle and revolver. The clear, bracing air of the prairies brought a splendid health to her body, and the exercise a magnificent development to her muscles. She grew up the pride of the soldiers and the delight of her gallant father and fond mother. The saddest moment in her young life

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Paddy Purcell and Johnson, alias "The Terrible Swede," were sentenced at Weir City, Kan., to one year each in the penitentiary for engaging in a prize fight at Galena last spring. Immediately after the fight the attorney general took steps to have the principals prosecuted with the result mentioned.

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